



WATER BREAKING OVER TRACKS AT BRIDGE JUNCTION, EAST ST. LOUIS.

## PRIESTS AND BUSINESS MEN SAVE EAST ST. LOUIS EVEES.

Business in East St. Louis was suspended yesterday and the business men and their employees lent their services in building the levee, which is expected to save the city from being flooded.

Few of the representative citizens of East St. Louis failed to touch elbows with laborers in the work of filling sacks of dirt and sand and building the levee. In fact, the volunteers saved the city from being inundated.

It is believed that if the dike can be held until noon to-day the town will escape being flooded.

Mayor Cook issued a proclamation, calling on all business houses to close their doors and lend their assistance in fighting the water.

The proclamation was hardly necessary, however, for business and professional men threw off their coats, vests and collars and worked hand in hand at dike building, the hardest sort of manual labor.

Priests and ministers seized shovels and carried the sand and dirt bags from the railroad trains to the dike.

Congressman Roderberg and almost all of the physicians and lawyers of the city, and, in fact, every one able to handle a shovel, worked with a will.

As a result, the dike which keeps the water out of the city was raised until it is now from ten to twenty feet wide and from six to ten feet high.

It is built of sand bags, rock, railroad iron, and in several places the bags are filled with coal.

TRAINLOADS OF DIRT USED.  
Train after train load of sand and dirt was brought into the city, and as fast as it was brought in it was sacked and carried

into position on the dike.

The break in the levee, which was repaired and strengthened in the morning, and a leakage in the Baltimore and Ohio floodgate, which was stopped by an army of volunteers with 2,000 sacks of sand and dirt in the afternoon, furnished excitement.

At noon the dike was closed to street-car travel, and last night policemen stood on either approach and forbade any one from crossing in either direction.

The dike was condemned as absolutely unsafe for any sort of travel, and the authorities decided that it was best to stop all travel.

WAIST DEEP IN WATER.  
Representative business and professional men of East St. Louis, among whom were Maurice V. Joyce, John J. Wiles, Stephen D. Sexton, Jerry J. Kane, Lee T. Aldrich, John McLean, H. H. Hill and Charles G. Derthick, saved the city from a flood at 4 a. m., when a portion of the levee broke at Cone Station.

The men worked while up to their breasts in a raging stream which poured through the crevasse in the dike, and built a temporary dike by driving stakes into the ground and placing bags of sand behind them.

The laborers refused to do the work, and the citizens were compelled to wade into the torrent to save the city from the water.

Hardly one of these men has had three hours' sleep in the last three days. Almost all have nearly broken down under the strain.

The break was noticed about 4 a. m., and the men who were watching the dike hurriedly sent word to the laborers to the place. The laborers refused to wade into the angry water.

## MERCHANTS' EXCHANGE WILL AID RESIDENTS OF THE EAST SIDE.

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## GOVERNOR BAILEY WILL WED TO-DAY.

Fascinating Widow of 35 of Kansas City Wins Chief Executive of Kansas.

SHE CLERKS IN CLOAK STORE.

Has Often Been Seen in His Company at Theaters and Gossips Are Not Surprised by Announcement From Topeka.

TOPEKA, Kas., June 8.—Governor Bailey of Kansas left to-day for Kansas City, where at the First Congressional Church to-morrow night he will wed Mrs. Ida B. Weed.

It was the Governor's intention to take a trip, but the flood and the cattlemen's war in Cheyenne County will cause a delay.

Mrs. Weed, the bride-to-be, is a fascinating widow of about 35 years of age. She is a native of Baileyville, Kas., the home town of the Kansas Chief Executive.

Since October 1, 1902, she has lived in Kansas City, where she has clerked in the Parson's Cloak Company's store.

She has often been seen in his company at the theaters and gossips are not surprised by the announcement from Topeka.

The marriage of Governor Bailey will be the fulfillment of a promise he made before his election as Governor. He said that, if he were elected, he would find a wife. The promise was made, it is alleged, to please the politicians, who thought it would be "bad form" for a Governor to occupy the Executive Mansion alone.

As soon as this promise became known to the world, the then Governor elected received thousands of letters from women who were "willing" to be the first lady of Kansas.

The Governor denied the story again and again. It was of no use. The letters continued to rain from all parts of Kansas and the other States of the Union. At last the Governor was obliged to have printed a form of declaration, which he sent in reply to all of the letters.

STAMPEDE OVERHAULED.  
The rumors of his forthcoming marriage received added force within the last few weeks, when the legislative mansion at Topeka was given a thorough overhauling and cleaning from cellar to garret, and refitted with new and expensive furniture.

Until yesterday, Mrs. Weed and her two sons have lived in the first-floor flat at No. 1114 Harrison street. Yesterday the last of her furniture was moved out, and she and the children moved into the new quarters.

The Governor's coming marriage to Governor Bailey was a choice bit of neighborhood gossip.

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## ARMED RANCHMEN WAIT FOR INITIATION.

Kansas Prisoners in Charge of Soldiers Start on Overland March to St. Francis.

TELEGRAPH LINES ARE CUT.

Settlers Encamped in Cheyenne County Hills Threaten to Shoot Men Charged With Murder of Three Cattlemen.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.  
Colby, Kas., June 8.—Sheriff McCulloch and Company K. Kansas National Guard, left this town to-day for a cross-country march to St. Francis, the county seat of Cheyenne County, forty miles northwest of here.

Under this armed escort go Channey Dewey, head of the Dewey ranch, Clyde Wilson and W. J. McBride, prisoners, charged with killing the Berry family, settlers and small ranchmen.

The Berries had cut the fence around the Dewey ranch. There had been trouble frequently between the Deweys and the Berries. The Berries led the faction that was arrayed against the Dewey ranch people.

Channey Dewey and his five sons while they were cutting the Dewey ranch fence. In the fight that followed Berry and two sons were killed. Two other boys and three cowboys were dangerously wounded.

ARMED RANCHMEN IN CAMP.  
From this point to St. Francis, where the preliminary trial of the employees of the Dewey Company is to be held, is over plains and low hills. On the line of march is the Berry ranch, six miles west of the ranch of the Dewey Company.

At Berry's ranch 10 armed settlers are encamped. This may be the scene of another bloody encounter between the rival factions. "Big ranchmen" and "little ranchmen" have been working up to bitter passion by the outcropping of an old feud.

Dewey and his cowboys were taken from the ranch, where they were arrested unknown to the settlers who surrounded the place, and brought to the hills in the vicinity of this place.

They were kept under guard of the Sheriff's posse until the troops arrived from Osborne, commanded by Captain Cunningham, Lieutenant Hillebrandt and Lieutenant Johnson.

Dewey refused to talk in connection with the Berry affair. When he started on the march this morning he appeared in good spirits. He laughed, apparently without any thought that he may be running into an ambush where he will have to rely on his gun to save his life, and that only to be tried for murder.

TELEGRAPH LINES CUT.  
The officers of the militia and the members of the Sheriff's posse say that they do not fear open battle.

South Haven, Mich.  
Is best reached by Illinois Central through Chicago, where it is not diverging. For information call at 308 North Broadway.

STARTLES OMAHA MINISTERS.  
St. Louis Pastor Advises Presbyterians to Sacrifice Dignity.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.  
Omaha, Neb., June 8.—The Reverend Charles Steilez, pastor of the Markham Memorial Church in St. Louis, has created a stir in clerical circles here by a sermon he delivered at the church last night, in which he advised both presbyters and laymen of the Presbyterian Church to throw off some of the dignity that hedges them about and adopt the methods of the Salvation Army in trying to save souls.

The workingmen will not come to church at the mere invitation, he said. "You must go out and get them. I believe we should have an opportunity to reach, in tents, everywhere that men congregate, and preach the gospel to them. To do this, we must sacrifice dignity. I would say that dignity is not among the fruits of the Spirit."

Best Way to View the Flood.  
Go down to foot of Locust street and watch the water rise. Spencer, Leaves at 1:30 p. m., returns at 3:30 p. m., cost of trip, 10 cents.

REVOKES GOV. YATES'S ORDER.  
Northcott Assumes Charge of Executive Office at Springfield.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.  
Springfield, Ill., June 8.—Acting Governor Northcott assumed possession of the executive office this morning.

One of his first official actions was the delivery of an answer to a resignation. After the resignation was accepted by the Adjutant General, the resignation was placed in the hands of the members of his staff upon the retired list.

The following members of General Clendenen's staff were accepted also: Frank J. Clendenen, as Lieutenant Colonel; Edwin E. Morgan, as Major; and David A. Clark, as Lieutenant Colonel and Assistant Adjutant General.

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## TRIES TO KILL CHILD AFTER DRINKING ACID

Charles Jones Prevents Wife From Committing Suicide and Causing Baby's Death.

SAID TO BE DESPONDENT.

In Struggle for Possession of Bottle, Husband Is Burned on Neck, but Serious Results Not Expected.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.  
St. Louis, Mo., June 8.—Charles Jones, 35, of 1006 Dillon street, attempted to give his baby carbolic acid and drink the poison himself while sitting in a chair in the presence of her husband, Charles Jones, at their home on the third floor of No. 1006 Dillon street, at 5:30 yesterday afternoon.

She kissed the child and said good-by. The husband interfered in time to prevent the tragedy. In the struggle necessary for him to wrench the bottle from her hand, he was burned about the face, neck and arms.

The child was burned about the mouth and neck. It did not swallow the poison. Mrs. Jones swallowed a small quantity, but Doctor Neuhoff of No. 1115 Chouteau avenue stated that it would result seriously.

Mrs. Jones, who is 25 years old, refuses to say what prompted her to attempt to commit suicide and give the acid to her child. She admits that she was despondent. Her husband states that he has been domestic and that his wife has been ill.

He told the police his wife said nothing of her intentions until she sat down in the rocking-chair near the window shortly after he came home.

He said she placed the bottle to her lips, said good-by to him and the child and drank part of the contents. He rushed to her side just as she reached the bottle to the child's lips. Husband and wife arose to the floor.

Jones succeeded in getting possession of the bottle, and part of the fluid was spilled on him.

SAENGERFEST TICKET SALE  
TOTALS \$19,743 FIRST DAY.

Tests Show That the Acoustics of the Remodeled Liberal Arts Building Are Good.

At the ticket office of the Saengerfest, when the accounts were made up last night, the day's receipts showed a total of \$19,743. This is the largest advance sale by the festival in the history of saengerfests in the United States.

President Otto F. Stifel and Finance Chairman Hoffman were surprised by the totals, though the crowds at the box office all day seemed to indicate an unusual sale.

Large as these figures are, it is to be remembered that Liberal Arts Hall on the World's Fair grounds, in its reduced intimate, has 1,000 seats, and that 6,000 admissions for the festival of four concerts are needed "to play to capacity," as the showman's term is. The festival, however, is the business, just about one large audience has been secured.

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## MUNYON'S Rheumatism Cure CURED HER.

Cured of rheumatism after seven years of suffering. Read the following testimonial:

"Dr. Munyon, Philadelphia, Pa.: 'Dear Doctor: I suffered with rheumatism in its most horrible form for more than seven years. I tried several doctors and every medicine that I saw advertised. One day I came across your 'Guide to Health,' which I consider a most valuable booklet. To me it should be without it. 'On reading about your rheumatism cure I decided to buy a bottle of the cure. I started taking the medicine every half hour, and in 10 days all my pain had left me. I continued taking that bottle and took another one, and have had no trace of rheumatism since. Your cure was more than six months ago. Yours very truly, 'MISS GEORGE T. EMERY, '138 S. 3rd St., St. Louis, Mo.'"

Official Forecast Announced for To-day and To-morrow.

Washington, June 8.—Forecast: Tuesday, cooler in east and south portions. Wednesday, fair; cooler in east and south portions. Thursday, fair; cooler in east and south portions. Friday, fair; cooler in east and south portions. Saturday, fair; cooler in east and south portions. Sunday, fair; cooler in east and south portions.

For Illinois—Fair in north, showers in south portion. Tuesday, cooler in extreme south portion. Wednesday, fair; cooler in east and south portions. Thursday, fair; cooler in east and south portions. Friday, fair; cooler in east and south portions. Saturday, fair; cooler in east and south portions. Sunday, fair; cooler in east and south portions.

For Eastern Texas—Showers Tuesday and probably Wednesday. Cooler Tuesday. For Louisiana—Fair Tuesday; cooler in east and south portions. Wednesday, fair; warmer in east and south portions. Thursday, fair; warmer in east and south portions. Friday, fair; warmer in east and south portions. Saturday, fair; warmer in east and south portions. Sunday, fair; warmer in east and south portions.

For Nebraska—Fair Tuesday; cooler in south portion. Wednesday, fair; cooler in east and south portions. Thursday, fair; cooler in east and south portions. Friday, fair; cooler in east and south portions. Saturday, fair; cooler in east and south portions. Sunday, fair; cooler in east and south portions.

For Oklahoma and Indian Territory—Showers Tuesday. Wednesday, fair; cooler in east and south portions. Thursday, fair; cooler in east and south portions. Friday, fair; cooler in east and south portions. Saturday, fair; cooler in east and south portions. Sunday, fair; cooler in east and south portions.

For Arkansas—Showers Tuesday; cooler in east portion. Wednesday, fair; cooler in east and south portions. Thursday, fair; cooler in east and south portions. Friday, fair; cooler in east and south portions. Saturday, fair; cooler in east and south portions. Sunday, fair; cooler in east and south portions.

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